## New Hampshire Interagency Coordinating Council

## MISSION STATEMENT

## **Article II: MISSION**

The New Hampshire Interagency Coordinating Council is an advisory body to the Department of Health and Human Services, Bureau of Developmental Services and the Department of Education, Bureau of Special Education. The purpose of the NH ICC is to assist these agencies to promote and increase the quality of Family Centered Early Supports and Services (Part C of IDEA) and Preschool Special Education (Part B/619) supports and services to eligible children, birth through five years, and their families. Four major goals underlie the ICC's mission:

- 1. Assure that supports and services are: high quality; family centered; evidence based and provided within natural settings for children and their families;
- 2. Support the lead agencies to implement a statewide monitoring, data collection and improvement system that identifies strengths and needs and utilizes results to improve programs and services;
- 3. Facilitate interagency collaboration at the federal, state, regional, and local levels in order to assure that: quality supports and services exist for children and their families; duplication and gaps in supports and services provided are identified; and sufficient public and private resources are identified, allocated equitably and appropriately utilized; and
- 4. Address immediate and relevant issues regarding the viability, finances, implementation, philosophy, practices, and/or quality of supports and services via subcommittees, work groups or other responsive mechanisms.